



# TARC Communicator



## Official Publication of the Titusville Amateur Radio Club

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Our primary mission is to provide for education, training, maintenance, licensing and testing of Amateur Radio Operators as defined in FCC Regulations Part 97.

Our purpose is to foster comradery among fellow Amateur Radio Operators within the North Brevard, Florida area through social events and organized Ham radio contests.

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Name	Frequency	Day	Time	Net Control
2 Meter SSB Net	144.210 MHz USB	Monday	7:00 PM	George WG4ES
Skywarn Net	146.970 MHz	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Barry N4NMF
Mosquito Net	28.333 MHz USB	Wednesday	7:00 PM	George WG4ES
Friendship Traders Net	146.970 MHz	Thursday	7:00 PM	Keith KN4AQ
Magic 6 Meter Net	50.250 MHz USB	Friday	7:00 PM	Mike KW4DX

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### PRESIDENTS Message

Welcome to the first issue of the TARC Communicator for 2026. I want to introduce myself as your new president for 2026. Most of you know me as Barry N4NMF XYL. I have been a Ham for 34 years. I was first licensed in Massachusetts with call sign N1JCK in 1991 and changed my call sign to N4DCK in 2017 when we relocated to Florida. I have been a successful business owner for more than 35 years. I have a great family, a daughter, son, daughter-in-law and most importantly and my heart is my 14 month old granddaughter. She is my heart!

It has been years since my last experience with Microsoft Publisher, so this first newsletter has been a real challenge. I made the font type larger and easier for me to read. Please let me know if you want me to add anything to the format or news section. Newsletter submissions can be emailed to me Diane.N4DCK@gmail.com or via FB Messenger—send me a friend request!

The club officially became a 501c3 federal tax-exempt nonprofit organization on October 1, 2025. With this change comes greater responsibility to the amateur radio community and to live up to our Mission and Purpose. Our club must operate exclusively for our tax exempt purpose. This will mean some new rules we need to follow, the FUN will never end!

*Diane N4DCK*

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### Mark your calendars!

January 24th – 25th, 2026, marks the return of Winter Field Day (WFD), and we're aiming for our biggest participation yet. Whether you're a seasoned operator or new to the hobby, WFD is an incredible opportunity to hone skills, build camaraderie, and demonstrate the vital role amateur radio plays in emergency communications.

Reach out to Greg KK4LBW to volunteer or just come out to visit! Bring the family!

### What is Winter Field Day?

Winter Field Day isn't a contest – it's an operating event. The goal is simple: prove we can communicate effectively in challenging conditions like short days, freezing temperatures, and unpredictable weather. This year, we are setting up at Tom (KN5GLO) and Sally's (KN4HPX) residence (4445 Aurantia Rd, Mims, FL 32754) for an unforgettable weekend of radio and friendship.

### Why Participate?

This event isn't just about logging QSOs; it's a fantastic learning experience. Winter throws unique obstacles our way – short days, cold temperatures, and unpredictable weather. Successfully operating under these conditions builds confidence and prepares us for real-world emergency scenarios. It's also a great chance to test new equipment, experiment with different antenna configurations, and meet fellow hams!

### Annual Christmas Party



Our **Annual Christmas Party** at **Dixie Crossroads** on **Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup>** was a wonderful time.

There was a lot of conversation, the food was delicious, the service was very good and both the Charity Drive for Felines and the Non-Perishable Food Drive were a great success. We also enjoyed a fun time with our Yankee gift swap. Thank you to all that helped with the coordination, setup and participation this year.





**Upcoming Event**

**HamCation 2026—<https://www.hamcation.com/>**



**Location, Date & Time**

Central Florida Fairgrounds and Expo Park  
4603 West Colonial Drive  
Orlando, Florida 32808

February 13, 2026 | 9AM to 5PM  
February 14, 2026 | 9AM to 5PM  
February 15, 2026 | 9AM to 1PM

HamCation® is the 2nd largest gathering of radio amateurs in the world annually.

HamCation is sponsored by the Orlando Amateur Radio Club, an ARRL-affiliated club, and is supported by volunteers from radio clubs throughout the region.

**Upcoming Event**

**Mosquito Tailgate 2026**





## Club News

Our next **Monthly Titusville ARC Meeting** will be on **Tuesday, Jan 27, 2026**

**Indian River Masonic Lodge**, 19 N. Washington Ave. located at the Corner of S. Washington Ave. (Rte. 1) and Garden St. at **7:00 PM.**

**Titusville Amateur Radio Club Membership Application** (All Current Members Primary, Family or Life **must fill out this Application**. The form is available on our website K4KSC.COM or copies will be available at each meeting.

\* Checks are made out to **K4KSC Inc**

\* If applicable, please put your callsign in the memo field of your check.

If you wish to pay in cash (correct change is appreciated), please bring it and your completed Membership Application to the meeting and give it to Steve – NA4SA our Treasurer.

### New Repeater in Titusville.

**224.320 MHz (- 1.6 MHz 222.720, PL 123.0, N4NMF Repeater**

It has about a 15 mile or so range for now until I have an Amplifier connected to it, so give it a try if you have 220 MHz equipment (Update:

## 2026 MONTHLY EVENTS

JANUARY 27-28: Winter Field Day	KN4GLO QTH	Coordinator: Greg KK4LBW
MARCH 26: Annual Mosquito Tailgate	Fox Lake Park	
April 25: Florida QSO	KN4GLO QTH	
June 27 – 28: ARRL Field Day	Fox Lake Park	
October 27: Annual Potluck	Titusville Masonic Lodge	Dinner: 6 PM
December TBA: Annual Christmas Party	Dixie Crossroads	Dinner: 6 PM

### November Meeting Minutes 12/14/2025 - 5PM EST

Masonic Lodge, 19N Washington Ave., Titusville, FL

Minutes were published in the last issue of the Communicator

### December Meeting Minutes 12/14/2025 - 5PM EST

Dixie Crossroads

Annual Party no minutes were taken

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